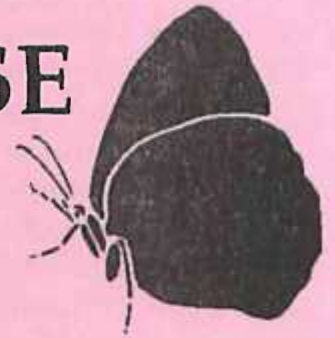




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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Cousins :

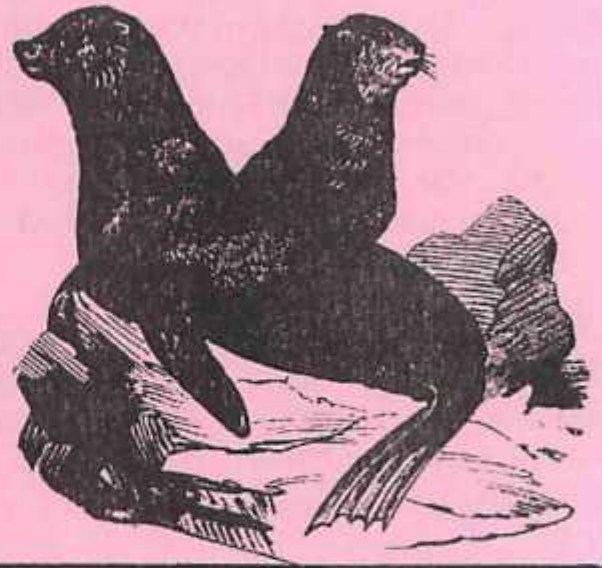
Not many days now until we meet in Eugene, Oregon. I hope many of you have your plans made and will join us. It looks to be another good reunion.

Don't forget - we will be deciding where to go in 2000 !!!! We need your invitations. Two year planning has become important now because facilities seem to be somewhat limited when we are planning only one year ahead and caused our very late timing this year. Come prepared to convince us we should come to see you.

Not much else to talk about just now, so will say good traveling - see you on the Oregon Trail. Hope the passes are clear and the renegades kept in their place so we can all make it thru safely.

Your Cousin,

Jeff



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Dear Cousin,

"You say you got your newsletter EARLY." Now you've seen it ALL!! Because of the change of date for the 98, Oregon convention, I will be far from home at publication time and thought you probably would rather get the paper a few days early than a month late. Jim and I plan to do some sight seeing while we're on the west coast.

I hope we will see many of you in Oregon. Don't forget to start planning to attend in Des Moines, IA in 99. We would like for you to consider hosting a convention in the future. (We're working on year 2000 at present.) Jeff Coffey would really appreciate hearing from anyone interested.

"This convention will be the farthest west that we've been. Calgary was the most northern and San Antonio was the most southern. Which was the farthest east??"

We have more New Addresses than I've ever seen in any issue of CCC. I think there must be a mass migration of Coffeys again. Do check these addresses.

Reams Goodlow is working on an index for the Clearinghouse. Leonard Coffey started an index on the Apple IIc computer, which I added to also. It covers issues up to 18, but Reams index is much better. He has worked out a better system. I hope we see more of it sometime.

Summer is a good time to research. Keep us advised of the new things that you find.

Your Cousin,
Bonnie Culley



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NEW COUSINS

* Ronald Goforth descends from Reuben Benjamin Coffey, s/o Rev. James Coffey and Elizabeth Cleveland. He married Naomi Hayes sometime after 1781 in North Carolina. Ronald says that Naomi reportedly was a full blooded Cherokee. If true, he needs to find documented proof that she was Cherokee, or any other information about her. Ronald's address is in the new cousins list and his e-mail: rgoforth@hal-pc.org

* Sandra Lee Otos is a direct descendant of James and Elizabeth Cleveland Coffey through their son John. John had a son William who moved with his uncle Lewis to Gwinnett Co. Georgia. William's son Abner Coffey was probably already married at that time to someone named Phoebyl or Shelby. Abner relocated to Fairplay, Alabama around 1830. Fairplay is near Heflin or New Edwarsville. Abner had many children born in Alabama, including Sandra's great-grandfather Lewis Coffey in 1845. He fought in the Battle of Atlanta, was shot in the leg and taken prisoner to Tennessee. Gangrene set in and his leg was amputated at the age of 20. He returned to Fairplay where he married Nancy Bennett. His school teacher, John Evans, married them. Lewis was a tax collector and

farmer. They lived in a two story log house. They had 11 children. The two older girls had married and moved away when in 1899 a tornado struck the home killing everyone except Sandra's grandfather, John Thomas Morgan Coffey (age 11) and his little sister Betsy.

Sandra is looking for information on: 1) James and Elizabeth Coffey, b. 1753 in Spottsylvania Co., VA d. 1825, Wilkes Co., NC and his wife Mary?? 2) William, son of John and Mary, b. May 17, 1784 in Wilkes Co. NC married Sarah Ferguson on Feb. 3, 1805, d. 1860-1870 Gwinnett Co., GA. 3) William Abner, son of William, b. 1809 in Wilkes Co., NC married Phoebyl?? 4) Emily Coffey Henry, William Coffey, Matilda Coffey Edmondson, Nancy Coffey Harris, John Coffey, Thomas Ruben Coffey, Mary Coffey Young, Levi Coffey or Elijah Coffey all children of William Abner and raised in Fairplay, AL Sandra's address is in the new cousins list.

* Gary Betourne is following in his mother's footsteps to continue her Coffey genealogy. His mother is Antoinette Betourne. Gary says that her eyesight is failing. We are glad to have Gary as a Coffey researcher and hope that his mother is doing well. They are researching the line of Wesley Coffey.

* Norma Paul was sent to us by Al Carhart. Her lineage is as follows:

1) Chesley Coffey, b. 1720/30 VA., d. Aft 1760 NC

m. 1740/50 to Jane Cleveland b. Abt 1725, Blue Run, Orange Co. VA
d. Aft 1762 NC

2) Nebuzaraden Coffey b. 1752/57, Albemarle Co. VA; d. 1797, Madison Co. KY; m. Elizabeth Hayes in 1779/74

3) Ananias Coffey, b. 12 May 1785; d. 1828; m. 24 Aug 1807 Green Co. KY to Jane Hindman, b. 11 June 1781 VA

4) Harriett Coffey, b. 17 Mar 1813 KY; d. 15 Oct 1875 Ringgold Co. IA; m. 6 Oct. 1830 Adair Co. KY to Robert Hopkins, b. 23 July 1810 KY; d. 2 Jan 1873

5) James Alexander Hopkins, b. 6 Nov 1836 IL; d. 24 Feb 1885 Mt. Ayr, IA; m. 3 Dec 1855 to Edith Armand Travis, b. 23 Jul 1840 IL; d. 9 Oct 1911 Elmwood, Cass Co. NB.

6) Minnie Myrtle Hokins, b. 1 Oct 1873 Mt. Ayr, IA; d. 29 Aug 1931 Elmwood Cass Co. NB; m. 12 Sept 1891 Mt Ayr, IA to George Washington Reeder, b. 26 July 1858; d. 3 Sept 1918 Elmwood Cass NB

7) Hazel Dell Reeder, b. 17 Jan 1899 Elmwood Cass Co. NB; d. 6 Feb 1986 NB; m. 9 Sept 1915 Lincoln, Lancaster Co. NB to Charley H. Roelofsz, b. 27 May 1891 Alvo, Cass Co, NB; d. 14 Aug 1973 Alvo Cass Co. NB

8) {Norma's parents} Florence Pauline Roelofsz, b. 15 May 1919 Elmwood, Cass Co. NB; d. 31 Mar 1997 San tee, SanDiego Co. CA; m. 7 Nov 1938 Lincoln, Lancaster Co. NB to Carl Winget, b. 18 Nov 1915 Memphis, Saunders Co. NB. If your working on this line, please write to Norma at the address in the new cousins list.

*Grace Krumm Posey is a granddaughter of Inez Jeannette Coffey LeVallee, born 29 Mar. 1879 in Cedar Bayou, TX, died 2 June 1969 in Galveston, TX. She

was the child of Richard Scott James Coffey, born 16 Feb. 1850, died 17 Jan 1909. He was a blacksmith in LaMarque, TX, ran a bone mill in Galveston, TX and drove cattle from TN to TX. Inez's grandfather was Samuel R. Coffey, born 1825 in TN and married Mary Jane Rankin on 8 Nov. 1848 in Marshall Co. TN. Samuel was a saddler in the 1850 census. Children other than Richard Scott James, were John and Tom. Two of John's children were Mary Alice (Coffey) Pruitt and Margaret (Coffey) Bradford).

Richard Scott James Coffey married Catherine Sarah Francis Dyer on 2 Dec. 1869 in Navarro Co. TX. Their children are: Victor Scott (b. 6 Sept. 1870 - d. 16 Oct. 1870), Henry Saline (b. 7 Nov. 1871 - d. 4 July 1939), Baby Coffey (-), Franklin Monroe (b. 10 Apr. 1876 - d. Abt 1941), Inez (Coffey) LaValle, Daniel Buford (b. 25 Oct. 1881 -), Jennie Matilda (b. 18 Aug 1884 - d. 8 Sept 1900), Abner Elmore (b. 11 Nov. 1886 - d. 1886/87), Beulah Catherine (Coffey) NcNary (b. 28 Dec. 1887 - d. 25 Nov. 1960) and Sarah Texas (b. 17 Sept 1890 - d. 21 Dec. 1891). If you can help Grace with this family please write to her at the address in the new cousins list.

* Clifford Coffey is not a new cousin in the true sense of the word. He is the son of Dr. Warren Coffey who passed away in Feb. 26, 1997. Clifford, now carries the torch of genealogy for the family and has been keeping his families records. He descends from James B. Coffey and Archelaus Coffey. I hope those working on this line will contact Clifford and send him a welcome note. His address is in the new cousins list.

* Lee Whitworth descends from Eleanor E. Coffee who married John Menees. They were the parents of Eliza Menees who married John R. Dabbs on 31 Mar

1832 Davidson Co. TN. John and Eliza (Menees) Dabbs had a son William Coffee Dabbs b. 19 Sept 1839, d. 6 Feb. 1925, both in Donelson, Davidson Co. TN. He married 26 Sept 1867 (Davidson Co. TN) to Sarah Caroline Shumate. Their daughter Mary Olive Dabbs was born 27 Dec. 1875 and married 10 Dec. 1902, both in Davidson Co. TN. She married Malchiga Whitworth. Their son was Malchiga Coffee Whitworth b. 23 Sept 1907, d. 26 July 1987. He married Robbie Nell Seaborn on 22 Jun 1929 in Franklin, Williamson Co. TN. If you can identify Eleanor E. Coffey who married John Menees, write to Lee at the address in the new cousins list.

* Joyce A. Grigsby sends the following query: "CHESLEY COFFEY, Jr." lived in Adair Co., KY and died in Maury Co. TN in 1818. His wife was Margaret Baldwin. Joyce wants to know if his father was Chesley Coffey and mother Jane Cleveland. Who were Margaret Baldwin's parents? Joyce would like to exchange information with people working on this line or pay for coping costs. Joyce's address is in the new cousins list.

*Nancy Cope is searching for two different Coffey families. Both are her husbands family. One through his mothers line and one through his fathers line. Serena "Cope" Coffey married John Coffey in Grainger Co. TN in Oct. 1856. They moved to Mr. Vernon, KY in April 1861. Nancy is looking for information on Serena Coffey. She went west to Texas with three of her children. Nancy believes Serena died in Texas. Any information on Serena and her children from Texas and Kentucky would be appreciated. John's parents were Benjamin Coffey, (1808-1867 and Nancy "Hayes" Coffey (1802-

1874). Serena's parents were John (1807-1858/59) & Jane (1806-) Cope. The 2nd line Nancy is working on is her husband's grandmother, Sarah Elizabeth Coffey. Sarah's father was Joel Coffey born about 1806. Joel's father was Meredith Coffey, born about 1769 and died 1838 in Grainger Co. TN. Any information on this Coffey family would be appreciated. Nancy would like to confirm that Meredith was the father of Joel. If you can help Nancy with either of these lines, write to her at her address in the new cousins list.

* Patsy Coffee is the sister of two active Coffey Cousins, Jerry and Carol Coffee. They descend from the Peter Coffee line and have done a lot of work collecting and researching this line. Jerry says that Patsy is quite a genealogist and historian and that she has various degrees in American History, English, Spanish and Literature. She retired from teaching several years ago. Jerry also says that she can contribute her vast knowledge to the newsletter. We welcome Patsy and hope to hear from her often.

NEW ADDRESSES

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Ocala, FL, 34481
Tom & Barbara Heseltine, PO Box 1801
Mt. Vernon, KY 40456

MAIL BOX

* Millie Coffey has attended most of the Coffey Conventions and had planned to attend again this year until she went to check the tires on the car where she **lost** consciousness. She was diagnosed with a fractured skull and subdural Hematoma. We're just glad to know that she is better and living with her son, Wesley and his wife Cathy. Thanks to their good care, she is progressing with therapy and we hope that she will be **well** enough to visit with us at the next Coffey Convention. For now just get **well**. We send our best wishes. Her new address is 2005 Glencrest Ln., Garland, TX 75040

* Annette Coffey is a real traveler. She went on a cruise at Christmas and has an Ireland trip planned for May. Annette and her daughter are also planning a genealogy trip in March and April. She says that Doug has found where Alfred Alphonso Coffee is buried and they plan to check the area out. She will let us know what she finds for a later issue of CCC. Thanks Annette.

* Edwin Coffee wrote that his father Virgil Coffee has had surgery on his right hand. It was very extensive with new knuckles and worked on the tendons. We hope it is healing well by now and that it isn't too long before Virgil can write to us again. We will miss his very sharp mind. He picks up on small details that many of us don't question. This makes us check and find mistakes/problems with our genealogy. Get well soon Virgil.

* Ella Carpenter celebrated her 88 th birthday on the 27th of October last year. We hope she has many more.

*Juanita Coffey wrote that her husband Ben has had surgery and 4 bypasses on Aug 29. She also said that he is doing great now. We're glad to hear the latter and hope to hear from them again soon.

*R. Kay Coffey wants as much coverage in CCC as possible on Dr. Marvin Coffey's address at the convention. R. Kay hopes to go to Ireland in the future and would appreciate all of the information we can give him about researching there.

*Ruth Studer wrote that they were **LUCKY** to have been without electricity for only 28 hours on March 9 & 10. Some of their were with out for 2 or 3 days. We're glad to know that they made it through the Indiana storm OK.

*Bev Hawthorne will be in Eugene, but not at the convention. She is helping her son move from Aloha, OR back to Redding, CA on the 30th of May. We're just sorry that she won't have a chance to stop and visit, but she says there just isn't going to be time.

* Brunette Stewart wrote that she didn't know there were so many Coffeys in the world until she and her brother Roy Coffey got into the genealogy thing. Her brain has been given a good workout. She is the oldest living grandchild in the Frank Coffey branch and she is 78 years old. Sometimes facts get a little fuzzy and she is sorry they didn't get started earlier. The last sister Christine Coffey McFatridge passed away in February 1997 at the age of 94. We're glad to know that Brunette can still remember hearing what her dad would tell when he was living.

VERA MORGAN

* Louise Humphreys will miss the convention for a second year. She is keeping busy but will look forward to joining us again soon. She is proud to be part of such a unique special group. We will look forward to visiting with Louise again.

* Marguerite Yates-Jobes wrote to tell us that Millie Coffey fell and fractured her skull, etc. She was seriously hurt and is recovering at the home of her son, Wes and daughter-in-law, Cathy. Her new address is in the list of new addresses. We hope that she is much better by the time this newsletter is printed, but I'm sure she would appreciate hearing from you.



OBITUARIES

Dr. WARREN COFFEY

Dr. Warren Coffey, Ed.D., a resident of Elk Grove CA for the past 18 years died Feb. 26, 1997. He was born Aug. 31, 1925 in McMinnville, OR. Mr. Coffey was a World War II veteran who flew the Hump from India to China. He was an educator who worked at state and federal level, including a stint as professor in San Francisco and superintendent of schools in Biggs. His most recent work has been as consultant with the Scottish Rite Language Clinic in Sacramento.

Mr. Coffey is survived by his wife of 51 years, Judy Coffey; his daughters, Shirley Land, Sue Stevens and Cindy Burke; his son, Cliff Coffey. He had 12 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

(Received from Judy Coffey - Obit, Elk Grove Citizen, Mar. 5, 1997)

Vera Morgan died Thursday, February 19, 1998. She was born on January 9, 1915 to Davis F. and Rose Coffey in Maringo, WA. As a young girl she lived in Ritzville, WA and later moved to Outlook with her family where she graduated from high school. She met her husband, Chester I. Morgan in Outlook and they were married on August 2, 1940. They lived in Sunnyside for a short period of time before moving to Yakima where she has since resided. Vera is survived by a son, David Morgan & a daughter-in-law Beverly Morgan-Jensen of Yakima; 3 brothers, Ralph Coffey and wife Bonnie, Byron Coffey and wife Lillian all of Yakima, and Robert Coffey and wife Wanda of Cle Elum; 4 sisters, Barbara Swett of Seattle, Helen Hitzler and Edith Jauhola of Yakima and Gladys Sybouts and her husband Larry of Goldendale; 5 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester Morgan, in 1989, her daughter Thelma Tillett in 1968, a son Gary L. Morgan in 1983. Burial in Tahoma Cemetery. (Received from Daraleen Wade - "Edited" from Yakima Herald Republic Friday, February 20, 1998 p. 6B)



WANTED: HELP

Elma Sue Davis' address: Elma has moved and sent a change of address card, but there wasn't a new address on the card!! Possibly there was an address label that came off in transit. I often get cards with these labels. The card was postmarked in Nashville, TN. She used to live in Hickory Valley TN. If you know where she lives now, please let us know. Thanks, YE Editor.

DEAD END ROADS

* Bennie Loftin is working on a reprint of her book on the Benjamin Coffey line and needs a marriage record for Marvel Coffey and Abigail Jordan about 1860 in East Tennessee, maybe Grainger or Hancock Counties. Bennie found Marvel and wife Abigail in 1860 census of Hancock County, TN. They were living in the household with her parents Enoch and Ally Jordan and living with them is Jane Coffey age 72. Also, she still need a marriage record for Catherine Coffey born 1834 to a Sweet. She was in Rockcastle County with her sister Margaret and Isaac Bullen in 1860 census and in Cass County, Missouri with another sister Elizabeth and George Hayes in 1880 census.

Bennie still needs the parents of Samuel Jefferson Coffey, who was married to America Samatha Ritter. This is grandparents of Pat Coffey Christensen. If you can help Bennie, write to her at Rt. 1, Box 270, Kiowa, OK 74553.

*Jack Coffee receives queries on the CCC web page. (Identified by the # sign.) If you have any information or can help, write to Jack at 10026 Hackberry, Baton Rouge, LA 70809 or email jkc@bigfoot.com

Jack has received a request for help in locating information about Henry Thomas Coffey, born Mar 10, 1842. Henry married Martha Ellen Phillips Sep 12, 1865 in Moniteau, MO. Does anyone know where Henry was born?

James and Alexandra Coffey are (coffey@lisp.com.au) requesting information on Michael Coffey and Edith Ella Harrison. Michael immigrated to Australia prior to 1906 from Waterford, Ireland. He married Edith, born 1886

in Tasmania, in Western Australia in 1906.

Nancy Wise (e-mail lee@echoweb.net) visited the Coffey Cousins query page and asked for help in finding information on Mary "Polly" Coffee/y, who c1864 married Alfred Hilliard, Jr., of Watauga Co., NC. This family left NC c1885 and headed for Montana, where they are believed to have died.

* Grace Krumm Posey; 237 Schilling; West Lafayette, IN 47906 is looking for her grandmother Inez Jeannette Coffey LaVallee, born 29 Mar 1879 in Cedar Bayou, TX, died 2 June 1969 in Galveston, TX; child of Richard Scott James Coffey, born 16 Feb 1850, died 17 Jan 1909, blacksmith in LaMarque, TX, ran bone mill in Galveston, Tx, drove cattle from TN to TX; grandchild of Samuel R. Coffey, born 1825 in TN, married Mary Jane Rankin 8 Nov 1848 in Marshall County, TN, Samuel was a saddler in 1850 census, other children were John Coffey, Tom Coffey, Mary Alice Coffey Pruitt and Margaret Coffey Bradford. Grace wrote to Bennie Loftin and she forwarded her query to us. CAN YOU HELP GRACE??

* Richard Coffey hasn't been doing much with the family genealogy for about the past three years - "our internet business takes so much time that I don't have much time left for research. I have a nephew who has been at it for the last few years, so he has basically taken over the research. As you may remember, Martin Coffey (b. 1762) was my GGG Grandfather, but I have never been able to find actual evidence as to his parents and like all of his decendents, I am basically stuck. Some people have theorized that he

was one of Chesley Coffey's sons, but no one knows for sure."

Richard wrote, "Each year I always think it will be the year that we attend the Coffey Cousins' convention, but this year is probably out because my wife and I both have 45th **highschool** reunions to attend. Hers is in Tulsa and mine is in Franklin, Indiana. If I decide to attend it **will** be a last minute decision." If you can help Richard with the parentage of Martin Coffey b. 1762, write to him at 980 Crescent Dr., Bolder, CO 80303 or [<thcoffey@jceinc.com>](mailto:thcoffey@jceinc.com)

* Shaunna Citrowski; 26265 Carnegie Ave. **Hemet** CA 92544; 909-927 6179 called Bennie Lofton. Her grandmother Sarah Caroline Coffey married Vardray Logan. Sarah's parents were Jeff Coffey and Mary Elizabeth Campbell came from Missouri to Denison, Texas where Sarah was born. Sarah and her husband were living in Pittsburg County, OK in **1905**, but were in California by 1914. If you can help Shaunna, please write to her at the above address.

* Juliann McGinnis is looking for descendants of David Porter Coffey born **July 18, 1878**, and died **Mar 24, 1941**. She is also looking for any information on:

Albert Coffee, Sebastian Co. AR, Big Creek Twp. - wife Laura

Jospey Coffee, Sebastian Co. AR - in Fort Smith

(info on last 2 from **1870** Arkansas Census)

If you can help Juliann with any of the Coffees above, write to her at P.O. Box 172, Covington, TX 76636.

* Cheryl Harris and her uncle George L. Coffey got together and filled in lots of genealogy blanks. The area where they want help follows:

Albert G. Coffey was born in 1825 in Russell Co. KY. In the 1850 census, he was a constable living with a family in town (apparently a boarding house). By the **1860** census, he was farming and married to Elizabeth L Goodhugh (from their son's death certificate) and there were three children: Amanda M. (1853) who married a Grider, Robert B. (1856), and Listen P. (1860) as well as two other children, Mary S. (1850) and George B. (**1846**) who appear to be the children of George W. And Nancy from the **1850** census. Are these the parents of Albert G.??

By **1870**, Albert was married to Matilda - apparently Elizabeth had died. We don't know which woman was the mother of the following children: Thomas v. (1864), **George T.** (1867); the last two - Joseph F. (1870) and James C. (**1872**), appear to definitely be the sons of Matilda.

Listen Pancoast Coffey (**1860**) married and had a child in the late **1870s** and then divorced. In the late **1880s** he married Jennie Louise Morris of Des Moines, IA. Listen was a steamship captain on the Cumberland and Mississippi Rivers until the late 1890s when they moved to southeast Oklahoma after a trip to Oregon. After reaching Oklahoma, they started their family: Edith, Ruth and George Leighton Coffey. In **1918**, Listen's first wife and son died from the flu. We know nothing else about these two. If anyone can give information on any of these Coffeys, Goodhughs, Griders or Morrisises, we'd be grateful. Cheryl's address is 3421 Lilac Lane, Rowlett, TX 75088 or email [<Charris575@aol.com>](mailto:Charris575@aol.com)



CURRENTS IN THE STREAM

* Carole Colenbaugh wrote that she found the following Coffey's living in Kenton Co. Ky in 1850 and thinks there might be a connection to her line.

Thomas Coffee, b. **1815** Ireland
 Michael Coffee, b. 1830, Ireland
 John Coffee, b. **1826**, Ireland

1. Thomas Coffee married Auroroa _?_
 Ch of Thomas & Auroroa
 i Michael, b. **1837**, Maryland
 ii **Mary A.** b. 1846, Ohio
 iii John P. b. **1849**, Kentucky

2. Michael Coffee married Mary _?_
 Ch of Michael & Mary
 i **James** b. 1843
 ii **John b. 1845** Ohio
 iii Thomas b **1848** Kentucky

3. John Coffee married Eliza _?_

Carole's line goes as follows:

John Coffee b. Abt. **1824** in Ireland & married Mary Long, Oct. **18, 1851** in Mason Co. (**Maysville**) KY. She was also born in Ireland.

Ch of John & Mary (Long) Coffee:
 I William b. 1853, Maysville, KY
 ii Patsy, b. 1854 Maysville, KY
 iii Michael, b. 1856 Maysville, KY
 iv Bridget b Aug 28, 1857 Maysville KY
 v **John**, b. 1860

William Coffee (Carole's great grandfather) was b. **Feb 23, 1853** in Maysville KY and Married Henrietta **Daulton**, b. Nov 1855 in Maysville, KY. She is the daughter of John Daulton & Datherine **Cook**.

Ch of William & Henrietta (Daulton) Coffee

i Catherine Anna (Kate) Coffey, b. May 21, 1876 Maysville, KY d. Nov 10 1922 Crescent Springs KY. She married Valentine Stone Rogers
 ii Mary E. Coffey, b. 1879
 Spelling of Coffee was changed to

Coffey by the late **1800's**. If you have any information on this line, Carole's address is 450 Oakwood Rd., Kerrville, TX 78028 or e-mail: clcr@ktc.com

*Willard Duncan sent the following information that he received from a cousin that he corresponds with:

Hiram Coffee b. 24 Apr **1801**
 d. **25 Feb** 1851
 m. 11 Sep 1819

Elizabeth Huffman
 b. 11 Oct 1796
 d. 15 Mar 1852

Lucinda Coffee b. 25 Jun 1825
 m. William **Allingsworth**

The 1850 census - Texas gives Hiram's age as 50 or born 1800 in TN. This exact date of 1801 makes it possible to claim Micajah Coffee as his father. Micajah in the **1800** census Starke Co. NC is married but no children. The next census record is in 1820 Ind. And still no children, but Hiram married Elizabeth Huffman in **1819** and in his own home by **1820**. Willard's **grandmother** Matilda was born in 1820. Micajah came to Franklin Co. Ind. Between **1812** and 1817 (Tax records). He died about **1821-22** (Tax records again). His wife Sarah, lived to be in the 1850 census, apparently cared for by Spencer Coffee. Spencer, in the **1820** census was in Campbell Co. KY, indicating some connection with the two families. Willard's address is 285 So. Kings Rd., Ormond Beach, FL **32174**.

 * Jack Coffee received the following on e-mail:

My name is Casey Coffey from Edmond, OK and I'm **12**. In my **dad's** study area he has a story about my genealogy. Here it is:

Dr. Edmund Gurelius Coffey was born on March **3, 1810**, on the border of

North and South Carolina. He married Diana Bagby. They were the parents of six boys and six girls, all born in either Gwinnett or Cherokee Co., Georgia. At the age of forty five Edmund Coffey put away the bellows, hammer, and anvil of the blacksmith and turned his attention to the profession of medicine. With the aid of his experience with horses and a self-taught knowledge of medicine, acquired from an old-fashion "doctor book", Dr. Edmund Coffey began his practice. He died August 28, 1895, at the age of eighty-six. His body buried in **Belew** Cemetery, near Gubrey, Texas.

His twelve children:

Edmund B.	James M.
Webster	Loranfy
Martha	Thomas Gurelius
Sarah Caroline	Elizabeth Ann
Eliza Jane	Gurelius
Benjamin L.	Charney Evergreen

Thomas Gurelius Coffey (1843-1917) was the father of Henry Coffey (1872-1951), the father of Woodrow Coffey (1914-198?). Woodrow Coffey's two children: Kenneth Paul and Jack L. Kenneth Coffey(1949-?) had one child: Casey Coffey. Jack Coffey had two children: Allison and Catherine Coffey. Catherine Coffey married Christopher Ross in 1997.

The family reunion of this Coffey family is always on the third weekend of August in Ada, Oklahoma. Casey's e-mail address is kgcoffey@flash.net

* Bennie Loftin received an e-mail from Dick Coffey and thought someone might like to make contact.

This is from my uncle Dick &(Pete is my dad)... the family historian. Hope it

helps. If you have any questions, please feel free to send them on.

mrcoffey@ftw.net

Starting with Pete's and my grandfather

1. Dr. Alden Coffey, 1884-1954
2. William Alexander Coffey, 1859-1900
3. William Fine Coffey, 1830-1864
4. Calvin Coffey, 1806-1898
5. Nathan Coffey, 1780-1858
6. Chesley Coffey, Jr., 1755-1818

This is as far as I go if you have any more questions feel free to let me know. I do also have a list of spouses. Dick

*The following story was written to Bennie Loftin as email. It is as the writer composed it with a few corrections to make it easier to read. It was written by Lewes Headrick of New Tazwell, TN. I quote:

To begin my story, you might know that in the mid 1800s some people **did'nt** bother too much with marriage, only they did'nt live together as they do now. My great grand mom, Sarah Headrick had 4 or 5 children and never married. Her sister Martha Headrick never married but also had some children. Her sister Charlotte Headrick married George Dalton. They were my mother's grand parents. George went into the army in 1861 and came home in 1865. When he came in his wife had a baby girl, born 1865. He asked, where did this one come from and Charlotte said, where does all woods chickens come from? This girl was Ruth. She married a **Mallicoat**. Their son was red headed. He married my cousin and one of their sons is red headed. He was asking me last year who his great grandfather could have been as most **Daltons** have black hair. Well I have a cousin who has a lot of

info so i got this from her. Thomas Coffey (called old Tom Coffey) was the father of Ruth Dalton Mallicoat. He was probably red headed. His grandson was the father of Ira Coffey and Margaret Coffey Headrick. She married my uncle Henry Headrick and some of her children were sandy haired. She died after 1975, I think, just a few days short of 100. Her granddaughter gave me some of this information. The second Thomas was married! Aunt Ruth Mallicoat died in 1950s.

I only have one sister living. My parents, aunts and uncles are all gone. I married Glatha Coffey in 1942, 2 weeks before I went in service. Her father was Ballard Coffey. His father was John Coffey who had a large family, William, Jim, Jefferson, Jackson, Marcus and Iona and Myrtle. I think they are all dead.

Lewes' email address is lewesqht@centuryinter.net

We do not have his postal address yet. You can contact Bennie or me..YeEd if you need to contact Lewes by regular mail.

* Billy G. Lee says, it seems that no one has ever heard of or come across my Mississippi Coffey ancestor, SIMEON COFFEY, who married SARAH ELIZABETH BEAUBE. These are my paternal gg-grandparents who lived in Jefferson and Franklin County, MS. Simeon disappears from the scene after the 1860 census of Jefferson County. Tradition tells me that he would not fight in the Civil War, and that he would hide out in the woods to keep the soldiers from finding him. He could have been captured, imprisoned or killed. No one knows. It is also possible that he left MS. One Simeon Coffey does appear in Grainger Co., TN, in 1850 and 1860, but have not yet gotten data on him.

In each newsletter, I look for possible Mississippi connections to no avail.

The Jefferson Co.. MS marriage records from 1805-1900 include these Coffee/Coffey marriages

John Coffee - Emeline Johnson
1-28-1889
Peter Coffee - Jane Ford 2-3-1881
Sam Coffee - Sallie Tannehill
4-19-1890
C.S. Coffey - Almyra Arnette 8-1-1887
Charles C. Coffey - Olive S. Bullen
2-24-1880
Chesley L Coffey - Mississippi L. Davis
10-20-1850
Edgar N. Coffey - Carrie W. Campbell
12-4-1888
J. Mote Coffey - Namie K. West
11-18-1896
Larkin B. Coffey - Adelaide Morris
2-27-1859
Shelly Coffey - Lavenia Liggins
4-2-1887

Four Coffee/Coffeys appear in the Franklin Co.. MS marriage records which joins Jefferson Co. These records are from 1817-1899:

Isaac N. Coffee - Pauline Fallin
1-23-1868
David Coffey* - Elizabeth McCoy
11-24-1860
David A. Coffey* - Aizelia Dixon
4-18-1889
James Coffey* - Jane Dunn 1-4-1899
(*Son and grandsons of Simeon and Sarah Elizabeth Beaube Coffey.)

I know nothing about the Jefferson Co. Coffee/Coffeys except my research could not link Simeon to them. I believe the Chesley L. Coffey line was a big land holder in Jefferson Co. Perhaps these records will assist someone researching their lost lines.

Hopefully, one day someone or something **will** help me to identify Simeon. I have Sarah Elizabeth **Beaube's** line completed to the early **1700's** in Cherbourg, France. If you can help Billy, his address is: 1063 Carriage Hill Rd., Melbourne, FL 32940-6418

*Tom **Bombaci, Jr.** Was going over his COFFEY file and came across a photocopy that his sister-in-law had sent to him. It indicated that **Archelaus Coffey** (born 1806), wrote "A Brief History of the Regular Baptist..." went by the name Achilles. It could be that Achilles is merely a nickname for Archelaus, but perhaps more likely that he simply was not an Archelaus. Tom asks our opinion on the subject. His address is 60006 Cantina Acres, Grant, NM 87020.

* Jessie Coffey wrote that he met Bennie Loftin and others in Kentucky. "Yes, we had a very nice visit. Everyone was so **wonderfully** kind and generous. They shared their "picnic" lunch with me and my son. The only bad part of the day was that it rained from just before the time that we met until I arrived back home **late** that night. Plus, while on my way to my Aunt's (my mother's sister) I had to ditch the vehicle I was driving in order to avoid sliding into another car. The road conditions were very slippery due to the rain. No harm to anyone, nor any vehicle. **None** of the "habitants" of the "lost" cemetery were any of my direct lines, but were people that Bennie was looking for: LOUISA BALLINGER, MOTHER 1857-1930; STANLEY McCRACKEN 15 NOV 1911-17 FEB 1917; ALLIE ABNEY 29 MAR 1869-18 FEB 1913; LARKIN DENZIL ABNEY 15 JUL 1936-21 JUL 1937. And It was kept clear of brush and trees.

I am descendant from John and Elizabeth Rucker Coffey, just as you. I descend down from their son Ausburn (b. 1805) where you, I believe, descend down from their daughter Elizabeth who married George W. Hayes. I believe that John and Elizabeth are your GGGgrandparents and my GGGGgrandparents...CORRECT? If true, you and I would be 4th cousins once removed.....(I think ?) I believe that Bennie and I have the same "kinship".My father was born and raised in Rockcastle Co., near Renfro Valley and **Wildie**. His / our Coffey line moved into there just before the Civil War. My Grandfather was James Matt, son of John Henry Coffey (b. 1861) and Margaret Langord. Jessie's address is **510 Westview Ave., Lockland OH 45215** JRCoffey@compuserve.com

* Nancy Cope sent the following family information:

John Coffey b. 1830 prob. Hawkins Co. TN; d. Rockingham Co. KY
(son of Benjamin (1808-1867) & Nancy "Hayes" (1802-1874) Coffey
married: 5 Oct. 1856
to: Serena (Rene) "Cope" Coffey, b. 1838
Hawkins Co. TN, d. TX
(dau. Of John & Jane "Pendleton" Cope)

{John Coffey's estate was settled in Hawkins co. TN in May 1859}

Children:

1) Isaac R., b. 1857, m. **1St. Bell Barnett**
12/27/1882

a. Harrison (Hap)

m. **2Nd. Martha Anglin,**
12/24/1885

note: Isaac and Bell died young. Son Harrison was raised by Serena Coffey. She took him to Texas along with three of her children. William, Mary & Elizabeth.

2) **Nancy J. (Nannie), b. 1861, d. 1947;**
m. **1St Jim Adams**

had 5 children

m. 2Nd. Abram Branaman

3. Malina, b. 1862 Rockcastle Co. KY; m. Prior Overbey, 12/25/1882

4. Elizabeth A. (Lizzy), b. 1864

5. Mary, b. 1872

6. Louisa, b. 1875

7. William (Bow) b. 1877

8. Ellen, b. 1880

Nancy's address is 1125 Morgan Ross Rd., Hamilton, OH 45013

* Al Carhart wrote that Brad Howland is his 2nd cousin and he has met everyone in Brad's family expect Brad. For some reason, everytime Al has been in Scottsboro, AL, Brad is gone!! Al says that Brad has really helped him with their Coffey family history. Their common great grandfather was Weightstill Avery Coffey, b. 1837 was the grandson of Rice and Sarah (Bradford) Coffey. Al is now compiling Bradford data as he is trying to see if he and Brad are kin through the Bradfords. Brad's mother was a Bradford. Al's address is 252 Hoof Beat Trail, Kerrville, TX 78028 and email acarhaart@hilconet.com

* Roy Coffey and his sister Brunetta (Coffey) Stewart are sharing their family charts with us. Roy has done a really good job of compiling their records. They descend from:

1) Hillery Newton Coffey. He was born 23 Nov. 1896 Terral, Jefferson Co, Indian Territory and died 18 Oct 1959 in Terral, OK. He married Myrtle Ruth Fraysher, 16 Mar 1919 in Comanche, Stephens Co., OK (dau. Of Louis Fraysher & Mary Jennings). Hillery descends from 2) Franklin David Coffey b. 2 Apr 1869 and Rebecca Jane Kimberlin, b. 1 Apr. 1870, 3) Calton Coffey b. 16 Jun 1839 and Martha Campbell b. 18 July 1839, 4) Benjamin Coffey, b. 8 Feb 1808 and Nancy Hayes b. 23 July 1802, 5) John Coffey b. 15

Oct 1776 and Elizabeth Rucker b. 6 Jan 1787, 6) Benjamin Coffey b. 1747 and Mary "Polly" Hayes, 7) John Coffey b. Ca 1700 and Jane "Jean" Graves; 8) Edward Coffey b. Ca 1670

Roy has more information on this line than I have printed. If you would like to have more, write to Roy Coffey, 1301 South 2nd Street, Arkansas City, KS 67005-3235

The following story was given to us by Juliann McGinnis. She did not list the source.

A LOG HOUSE PERKS UP FOR IT'S 2nd CENTURY by Ralph Underhill

A Log house that stood beside a road over which both the Union and Confederate armies marched during the Civil War is still being used as a home today. This treasure of the pioneer past is the home of Mr. And Mrs. Roy Lonsinger on the historic Batesville - to - Little Rock stagecoach route 3 1/2 miles northwest of Beebe.

Erected about 15 years before the conflict between the North and South, the log house was well preserved for several decades by simply keeping a sound roof over the building. The structure was one of the earliest log homes built in the entire area, but it has steadfastly stood against the ravages of war and the elements. Although documented evidence covers the century - old home only from 1861, when the Civil War started, early settlers of the area always declared that the building was constructed 15 years before the war, which placed the construction in 1845 or 1846 - the Mexican War era. It was also said that the most choice logs from virgin forest were used in the building.

THE JOHN COFFEY FAMILY was living in the building when Gen. Frederick Steele's Union army was attacked only a few hundred feet west of the house. Coffey, a Confederate soldier, was at home on leave from his unit on the most historic day of the home's existence, Sept 5, 1863. Approaching from the northeast, the Union army was in route to Little Rock. A Union soldier knocked on a door in the Coffey hall and inquired if Coffey was a Confederate soldier. When an affirmative answer was given, a Union officer in the yard asked Coffey if he would give his word of honor that he would stay in the house with his family. The Confederate quickly promised that he would do so and he remained unmolested as Steele's army marched by.

After the entire Union army had passed the Coffey family suddenly heard heavy musket fire about 1/8 of a mile west of their home and realized that a Confederate fore was attacking the passing army, but Coffey kept his agreement and remained with his family during the Battle of Hog Eye. Again and again, musket balls struck the log home, but no one within was injured. After the fierce attack had ended, no Union soldier returned to the Coffey home to ascertain if the lone Confederate warrior were still there.

Not only was the road in front of this home a constant thoroughfare for both Confederate and Union troops, but less than one year later, on Aug, 7, 1864, the Battle of Bull Bayou was fought 1/2 mi. west of the Coffey home. A Union force was suddenly attacked while crossing Bull Bayou not far from the early village of Stony Point, the only small town in the southern part of White County, AR at the time. Heavy musket fire was heard by all members of the Coffey family who were at home.

Prior to the coming of the Iron Mountain railroad through White County in 1872, seven years after the Civil War ended, the old stagecoach road in front

of the early log home was the principal route between St. Louis and Little Rock. It also continued as the main route for travel by horses, wagons, coaches, buggies and cattle drives to Little Rock for several decades. Highway 67 was not surfaced with gravel through this county until after World War I, so the older route was long one of the most important roads across White County.

One thing that has never been determined is whether an inscription "Jesse James," which is cut deeply into a log in the pioneer home, was actually carved into the log by the famous outlaw or by one of his gang or someone else. One well-known fact is that the James band did travel through Arkansas, and during their lives, this old Southwest Trail was one of the most important routes across the state.

Approaching the home site from Stony Point neighborhood, the pioneer road has become Rural Route 2 from Beebe. Travelers of today are actually going over the stagecoach route between Batesville and Little Rock, the Civil War army movement route and the course over which many pioneers moved to the Southwest. Even earlier, it was an Indian trail when the earliest pioneers arrived, dating back through an antiquity that cannot be accurately traced by any historian. The original inhabitants had wisely chosen a course that passed along the edge of the Ozarkian foothills, keeping their main route out of the low-lands to the east and the steeper hills to the west.

During several decades, towering pine trees on the grounds around the home have made it an easily recognized landmark in an area where no native pines grew. As evergreen trees have been symbols of everlasting life through many centuries, the few pine trees have added to the attractiveness of the hillcrest home grounds and accentuated its long life.

DOCUMENTS GALORE

* Bennie Loftin found the following marriage records and hopes they may help someone.

Dickson County, TN (microfilm of Historical **Data** from Dickson County, TN)
LANDEN COFFEE - POLLY TATE 15 MAR 1821, Solomized 15 Mar **1821** by Geo. **Johnston, J.P.**

Hawkins County, TN (marriage records on Internet from Hawkins County, TN)
TEMPY COFFEE - NATHAN LAUSON 3/4 JULY 1841
GEORGE COFFEE - POLLY COFFEY 1 MAR 1866
JANE COFFEE - ELDRIDGE SHORT 20/21 MAR 1867
 (a descendant of theirs is Trudy Short **Gladhill** e-mail etdsk@cvn.net)
ELIZA COFFEY - LAZARUS KITE 19/20 DEC 1866
WINNEY COFFEY - JOHN SCARBOUGH 23 FEB 1866

MAURY CO. TN - 1860 Federal Census

1498	Coffee, Nathan	70	NC
	Coffee, Euphence	43	TN
	Gilbreath, John	82	VA
	Gilbreath, William	23	TN
1236	Coffee, William G.	52	SC
	Coffee, Elizabeth	50	SC

	Coffee, Agnes	25	TN
	Coffee, Martha	17	TN
	Coffee, Franklin	15	TN
	Coffee, Sarah	12	TN
	Coffee, Esther	75	SC
1194	Coffee, Hugh	50	SC
	Coffee, Jane	41	SC
	Coffee, John	17	TN
	Coffee, Mary	11	TN
	Coffee, Nancy	09	TN
	Coffee, Samuel	08	TN
	Coffee, Joseph	06	TN
	Coffee, James	04	TN
	Coffee, Elizabeth	01	TN
1193	Coffee, Samuel	48	SC
	Coffee, Mary	39	SC
	Coffee, John	15	TN
	Coffee, Jane	14	TN
	Coffee, Thomas	11	TN
	Coffee, Elizabeth	09	TN
	Coffee, Samuel	07	TN
	Coffee, Caledonia	05	TN
	Coffee, Emily	03	TN
	Coffee, Angeline	01	TN
1485	Coffee, Calvin	45	KY
	Coffee, Elizabeth	45	AL
	Coffee, Isaac H.	21	TN
	Coffee, William F.	20	TN
	Coffee, Nancy	18	TN
	Coffee, Catherine	15	TN
	Coffee, Mary	09	TN
	Coffee, Martha	07	TN
	Johnson, William	16	TN
	Coffee, Sarah	05	TN
	Coffee, Green	25	TN

* Ron Payne shares the following documentation:
 Source: Registration of Veterans Graves, Mexican War- World War II, Volume 4, pg 69, Kentucky Historical Society. All are buried in Rockcastle Co. KY

Cemetery	Location	Interred
Scaffold Cane Christian Church	Mt Vernon	Eli . Coffee , (12/1/1832-7/5/1911)
Maret	Wildie	John A. Coffey, (10/21/1836-12/18/1884)
Hummel	Hummel	Marvel Coffey, (3/17/1841-3/25/1917)
Maret	Wildie	Ransom Coffey, (12/20/1836-2/9/1917)

E-MAIL LIST

We have made several corrections and additions. I hope and expect you to send corrections and additions. I highly suggest that you check the Coffey Cousins' Clearinghouse Page set up by Jack Coffee. We have acquired numerous new cousins because they saw the page on the computer. Check it out at: geocities.com/Heartland/Plains/6233/Coffeycousins.html
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NEW FINDS

Bennie Loftin has been busy again and has found the records compiled by the WPA to be very useful. Her Genealogy Society has copies of the WPA Records for Oklahoma. She states that she has found some of the other states on the Internet but Oklahoma, Arkansas and Tennessee are not among them. She is very sure Tennessee was recorded by the WPA as the Rucker Family Cemetery was recorded in 1937. If you have access to the WPA files in your library, please check for Coffey records that we can publish in CCC.

* Grace McGinnis wrote that the Grainger County Heritage Book can still be purchased: The pre-publication price is \$49.95 if your order is received early enough. After the books are received from the printer, the price will be more. The books are supposed to be shipped the last week in March.

Write to:

Grainger County Heritage Book
Committee

P.O. Box 332

Rutledge, Tn 37861

* The Coffey Cousins' web-site has been updated, and the following has been added:

- New links to other Coffee/y research sites
- A link to Coffee/y Family Genealogy Forum
- A link to soc.genealogy.surnames.usa that searches for Coffee/y posts
- A new query page

When you visit, please take a moment to visit the "Rank My Site" page by clicking on that tab in the Geocities banner that appears at the top of the screen. It will give me an idea about how useful users find the page. Jack Coffee <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Plains/6233/>

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